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## Caliente Youth Center Celebrates 50 Years of Service

Carson City—Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Director Mike Willden invites you to join with Legislators, Judges, Commissioners, and other Dignitaries at the official 50-year anniversary celebration of Caliente Youth Center (CYC) on Thursday, June 28, 2012 at 10:00 am. The youth center is located at 500 Youth Center Drive in Caliente, NV. Some of the dignitaries joining Willden include Assemblywoman Lucy Flores, District No. 28, Clark County, and Judge William Voy, Clark County Family Courts. A guided tour of the facility is available to the public from 3:00 – 4:00pm.

Fifty years ago this week, on June 3, 1962, a dedication ceremony was held in Caliente for the "Million Dollar Nevada Girls Training Center." At that time, the facility was designed to accommodate 60 girls in three dormitories. Today CYC serves both males and females between the ages of 12 to 18, and has a capacity to serve 140 youth.

Over the past 50 years, thousands of youth have been provided opportunities and tools to change their behavior, gain a viable and meaningful education, and become successful and productive citizens. For more information about CYC and other Division of Child and Family Services Juvenile Justice programs, go to <a href="http://www.dcfs.state.nv.us/DCFS\_Juvenile">http://www.dcfs.state.nv.us/DCFS\_Juvenile</a>.